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Agenda Finance & Establishment Committee

To Committee Members: Councillors: Ahmed (Deputy Mayor), Coote, de Vries (Chair), Eke (Mayor), Freeman, Gadd, McBirnie, Meloy, Reeve (Deputy Chair), Parker and Shotropa.

You are summoned to attend a MEETING of the FINANCE & ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE of SAFFRON WALDEN to be held in the Town Hall, on **Monday 17th March 2025** commencing at **7.30pm** to transact the business as set out in the agenda below.

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Lisa Courtney, Town Clerk

12th March 2025

1	Apologies for absence To receive apologies and consider requests for approved absence
2	To receive any Declarations of Interest Members and officers are invited to make any declarations of interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda and are reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it then becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.
3	Public Speaking Time For the public or Press to ask questions of the Committee on matters relating to the agenda.
4	Minutes of the last meeting of the Finance & Establishment Committee To verify the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 17.02.2025.
	Financial Matters The following are standard items for consideration for a Committee meeting, focussing on business matters
5	Expenditure – to be authorised (a) To approve the payment of the invoices received since 17.02.2025. BACS and Cheques for these invoices have not yet been authorised, awaiting approval by this meeting. (b) To approve payments or DDs, STOs, debit card payments and cheques already issued since 17.02.2025.
6	Tourist Information Centre a. Profit and Loss Account for February 2025 b. TIC quarterly update report

7	Monthly Reports (a) Bank reconciliation statement with supporting statements. (b) Cash Book – showing all income and expenditure for the month of February 2025. (c) Income report, broken down by budget code – year to date including comparison of income year to date for prior years.
8	Committee Hi-Light Reports To receive and note the reports from the RFO being a highlight report bringing to the attention of Committee any items for note or action. Documents 8(a) and 8(c) refer.
9	Internal auditor report Committee is asked to note and receive the interim internal audit report and the officer covering report for information.
10	Financial Regulation Requirement 2.6 Cllr Reeve was appointed by Committee in September 2024 to verify bank reconciliations (for all accounts) produced by the RFO (this being financial regulation 2.6). Cllr Reeve shall report this back to committee at this meeting.
	Grant Applications – Committee to consider the following requests Balance of Grants Budget as at 18.02.2025 Small grants scheme - £0 fully spent Resilience funds (covid fund) - £1884 FOC hall hire £437 Total Grant Funding available £2321
11	Grant Request Accuro Free of Charge Common Hire £150 Santa Dash To consider the attached grant request, seeking free of charge hire of the Common to host the Christmas Santa Dash fundraising event.
12	Grant Request Saffron Walden Round Table Free of Charge Bridge End Garden Hire £1260 Easter Event To consider the attached grant request, seeking free of charge hire of Bridge End Garden to host the Easter Event.
13	Urgent Information Items Any items to verbally report for information only
14	Date and time of Next Meeting Tuesday 22 nd April 2025 at 7.30pm in the Town Hall , Saffron Walden (not Monday as this is Bank Holiday)